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PATENT APPLICATION

Applicant

: Yumin Liu

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: PROCESSES FOR OXIDATIVE DEHYDROGENATION

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Examiner

: Tam M. Nguyen

New York, New York 10020

October 9, 2002

Hon. Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

> PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension of time to respond to the Examiner's Action dated April 9, 2002. With the extension, a response is due on or before October 9, 2002. A check in the amount of \$920.00, in payment of the fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3) is enclosed herewith.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional extension fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 in connection with the paper(s)

transmitted herewith, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 06-1075. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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